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| **Monday April 14** | **Venue: Menlo Park Hotel** |
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| **Timetable** |  |
| 8: 40 – 9: 10 | Registration and distribution of Lecture **Book, “Economics Now”** |
| 9: 10 – 10: 4010.40 short break | **The Government**: The Government **Budget, 2014**, **Privatisation** [National Lottery, Bord Gáis Energy], The role of the **NTMA**, the growing **National Debt** and its implications, the **Property Tax**, **Water Charges**, **Public Sector Pay** [Croke Park Deal and Haddington Road Agreement]. |
| 10:50-12:15 | **The Banks:** **The** **Banking Crisis**: Causes and implications of the **Credit Crunch, The Bank Guarantee, Bank Recapitalisation, Bank Nationalisation,** The effects of raising/lowering **interest rates**, the **Mortgage Arrears Crisis. Quantitative Easing**. |
| 12:15 – 13:00 | **The IMF/EU Bailout** [The reasons for the bailout and its implications] |
| 13.00-13.45 | Lunch |
| 13:45 - 14:4514.45 *short break* | **Elasticity** [*Exam Questions*] |
| 14.55 – 15. 50 | **Current economic issues and statistic**s: **Inflation, Unemployment, Economic Growth, National Income, the Property Market, NAMA** |
| 15:50- 16:30 | **National Income** [*Exam Questions*] |
| **Profile of the Lecturer**Michael Ruane is the author of the popular, **Rapid Revision Economics** (Folens). He has a Masters Degree in Economics and has been teaching economics successfully for the past 13 years. In recent years, there has been an increasing focus in the Leaving Cert Economics Exam on current economic issues. No longer is it enough for the “A” or “B” student of economics to simply rely on an economics textbook when preparing for the exam. In response to this, Michael has written “**Economics Now,** an up-to-date book that contains all of the facts and figures relating to over 40 current economic issues, topics and statistics. Many of these topics are not covered in textbooks, yet students of Economics are expected to answer questions on these for their exam. **Each student attending Michael’s preparation day will receive a copy of this up-to-date booklet prepared specifically for Leaving Certificate Economics students.**As well as this, **all students who attend his course will get full access to Michael’s EDMODO page where he posts video clips, news reports, newspaper reports and statistics that are relevant to students of economics**. This EDMODO page will be updated regularly until the week of the exam in June so that you can be sure that you have the most up-to-date information and are fully prepared on the day of the exam. |

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